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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 14 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

3.30 p.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation room

Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998), 1203 (1998), 1239 (1999) and 1244 (1999)

Other matters

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

3 p.m.	1st PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Opening of the session by the Chairman of the delegation of Uruguay
2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation
3. Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee
4. Election of the President of the General Assembly

(continued overleaf)

Announcement

An open debate of the Security Council will be held on Thursday, 16 September 1999, at 10.30 a.m. in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the question of the protection of civilians in armed conflict.

5. Admission of new Members to the United Nations:

   (a) Republic of Kiribati: draft resolution (A/54/L.1);

   (b) Republic of Nauru: draft resolution (A/54/L.2);

   (c) Kingdom of Tonga: draft resolution (A/54/L.3)

Immediately following the plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

Consecutive meetings of the Main Committees for the purpose of electing their Chairpersons.

Immediately following the meetings of the Main Committees — 2nd PLENARY MEETING — General Assembly Hall

1. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly

2. Organization of work of the fifty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly: letter from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences (A/54/313)

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FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The provisional list of speakers (No. 4) for the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly (20-25 September and 29 September-2 October 1999) is now available in room S-2925 (General Assembly and ECOSOC Affairs Division). The provisional list of speakers (No. 4) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative). The list of speakers is also available on the Internet at the following address: www. un.org/ga/54/list54.htm. Any queries concerning the list of speakers should be addressed to the Division (Mrs. Nicolle Matias-Veyne (tel.: (212) 963-5063)).

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TWENTY-SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ON THE REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION FOR THE SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES
(*27 and 28 September 1999*)

The provisional list of speakers (No.1) in the debate on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States is now available at the General Assembly Servicing Branch (rooms S-2925 and S-3001G). The provisional list of speakers (No.1) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative).

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INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE

9 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8
2.30 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Third regular session 1999

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	34th meeting	Conference Room 1

UNFPA: Financial, budgetary and administrative matters [6] (DP/FPA/1999/11, DP/FPA/1999/13, DP/FPA/1999/14)

[There will be a meeting of the donors group *today* at 9.30 am. in Conference Room B.

There will be an informal briefing on "UNDP-China Cooperation: Twentieth Anniversary" *today* from 1.45 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B.

There will be informal consultations on UNDP financial, budgetary and administrative matters *today* from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

There will be an informal consultation with the Administrator and the UNDP Transition Team *today* from 5 p.m. to 6.15 p.m. in Conference Room 1.]

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 14 September 1999

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 3

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Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations of the Disarmament Commission *today*, 14 September 1999, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room A.

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GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND, THIRD AND FIFTH COMMITTEES
(on the drafting of the ministerial declaration)

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7
4.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

Announcement

As from Thursday, 2 September 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT: OPEN-ENDED MEETING OF EXPERTS ON THE MINISTERIAL DRAFT COMMUNIQUÉ

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 15 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

GENERAL COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 1st meeting Conference Room 3

Organization of work of the fifty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: memorandum by the Secretary-General (A/BUR/54/1 and Add.1).

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Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Tuesday, 21 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2, for the purpose of electing its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its organization of work (A/C.3/54/L.1*).

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The 198th meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be convened on Wednesday, 15 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8, to review the following items: (a) Consideration of, and recommendations on, issues arising in connection with the implementation of the Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations; (b) Other matters.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The President of the Council, H.E. Mr. F. Paolo Fulci (Italy), will convene informal (closed) consultations on the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, specifically with regard to the question of the consultative status of Christian Solidarity International, on Wednesday, 15 September from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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The Economic and Social Council will hold a meeting on Thursday, 16 September 1999, at 12 noon, to officially inaugurate the newly renovated Economic and Social Council Chamber. The Secretary-General of the United Nations will address the Council at that time. At 3 p.m. on that day, the Council will resume its consideration of the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, specifically with regard to the question of the consultative status of Christian Solidarity International.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be meetings of the Group of 77 of the Second, Third and Fifth Committees *(on the drafting of the ministerial declaration)* from 15 to 17 September 1999 at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

The Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Member States of the Group of 77 will hold their Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting at Headquarters on Friday, 24 September 1999, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting will be preceded by the Eleventh Annual Senior Officials Meeting of the Group of 77 on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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There will be a meeting of the Arab Group on Wednesday, 15 September 1999, at 3.30 p.m. in room C-209B.

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Annual conference

The Fifty-second Annual DPI/NGO Conference entitled "Challenges of a Globalized World: Finding New Directions", will take place from 15 to 17 September 1999. The opening session will be held on Wednesday, 15 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall. The Secretary-General and the President of the General Assembly will make statements. Queen Noor Al Hussein of Jordan and Noble Laureate and former President of Costa Rica, Mr. Oscar Arias, will also address the opening session.

The subsequent sessions will be held in Conference Room 4. NGO Workshops, organized by the NGO/DPI Planning Committee, will take place from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. daily in various conference rooms and the Dag Hammarskjöld Auditorium. Copies of the Conference programme are available on the Internet at www.un.org/MoreInfo/ngolink/52conf.htm. For further information, please call (212) 963-1361, 963-7709, 963-1285 or 963-7234.

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Special briefings

There will be a briefing for non-governmental organizations by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, Mr. Olara A. Otunnu, on his mission to Sierra Leone and Guinea and Security Council resolution 1261, on Tuesday, 21 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6. For registration, please contact Ms. Theresa Stichick, Office of the Special Representative, by 12 noon on Thursday, 16 September (tel.: (212) 963-4710 or 963-3178).

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The Department of Economic and Social Affairs will hold a briefing on "Financial Development in the Globalizing World", the thematic part of *World Economic and Social Survey 1999*, on Friday, 17 September 1999, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, will chair the briefing. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Friday, 10 September 1999

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT ACTING AS THE PREPARATORY BODY FOR THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION FOR THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES

Resumed session — 2nd meeting

Preparations for the comprehensive review of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

The representative of Antigua and Barbuda reported on the outcome of the informal consultations. Statements were made by the representatives of Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Japan.

3rd meeting

Preparations for the comprehensive review of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

The representative of Antigua and Barbuda reported on the outcome of the informal consultations.

Statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union) and Samoa (on behalf of the Alliance of the Small Islands States).

The Commission acting as the preparatory body adopted an oral decision by which it decided to transmit the texts of the "Draft declaration" and the "State of initiatives for the future implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States" to the General Assembly, at its twenty-second special session, for further consideration.

After the adoption of the decision, statements were made by the representatives of Barbados (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) and some members of the Alliance of Small Island States), the United States, the Russian Federation, Japan, Brazil, Cuba, India, Suriname, Argentina and Jamaica.

The Commission acting as the preparatory body then adopted the report on its resumed session as contained in an informal paper.

Conclusion of the resumed session

Statements were made by Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Samoa (on behalf of the Alliance of Small Islands States) and Finland (on behalf of the European Union).

The Chairman made concluding remarks and declared the resumed session closed.

Monday, 13 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-third session

107th plenary meeting

Earthquakes in Turkey and Greece

The President of the General Assembly, on behalf of the Assembly, extended his deepest sympathy to the Governments and the peoples of Turkey and Greece for the tragic loss of life and the extensive material damage which had resulted from the recent earthquakes.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/53/1040/Add.2) [118]

The General Assembly took note that Mongolia had made the necessary payment to reduce its arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Charter.

Culture of peace (A/53/L.79) [31]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 31.

The representative of Bangladesh made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/53/L.79.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Costa Rica (also on behalf of the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Nicaragua and Panama), Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Ecuador, Colombia, the United States, El Salvador, Cuba and the Russian Federation.

The Assembly adopted draft resolution A/53/L.79 (resolution 53/243).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 31.

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [59]

(a) Report of the Working Group on the Question of Equitable Representation on and Increase in the Membership of the Security Council and Other Matters related to the Security Council (A/53/47)

(b) Draft decision (A/53/47, para. 28)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 59.

The Assembly adopted the draft decision contained in paragraph 28 of the report of the Open-Ended Working Group on the Question of Equitable Representation and Increase in the Membership of the Security Council and Other Matters Related to the Security Council (A/53/47).

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 59.

Armed aggression against the Democratic Republic of the Congo [167]

The General Assembly decided to include the item in the draft agenda of the fifty-fourth session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 167.

Appointment of the Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services [17 (j)]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of this item and to include it in the draft agenda of the fifty-fourth session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 17 (j).

Question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte [57]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of this item and to include it in the draft agenda of the fifty-fourth session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 57.

Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [60]

The General Assembly decided to include this item in the draft agenda of the fifty-fourth session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 60.

Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields [61]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of this item and to include it in the draft agenda of the fifty-fourth session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 61.

Question of Cyprus [62]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of this item and to include it in the draft agenda of the fifty-fourth session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 62.

Improving the financial situation of the United Nations [115]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of this item and to include it in the draft agenda of the fifty-fourth session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 115.

Financing of the United Nations Operation in Mozambique [129]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of this item and to include it in the draft agenda of the fifty-fourth session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 129.

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [144]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of this item and to include it in the draft agenda of the fifty-fourth session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 144.

Agenda items remaining for consideration during the fifty-third session of the General Assembly

The President recalled that the following agenda items, on which action had been taken by the General Assembly at previous plenary meetings, still remained for consideration during the fifty-third session of the Assembly:

Item 10 Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization

Item 11 Report of the Security Council

Item 12 Report of the Economic and Social Council

Item 20 Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance

Item 30 United Nations reform: measures and proposals

Item 37 Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development

Item 38 Oceans and the law of the sea

Item 39 Question of Palestine

Item 40 The situation in the Middle East

Item 43 The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti

Item 44 The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development

Item 45 The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security

Item 47 Election of the judges of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994

Item 58 Strengthening of the United Nations system

Item 93 Sustainable development and international economic cooperation

Item 94 Environment and sustainable development

Item 108 Elimination of racism and racial discrimination

Item 110 Human rights questions

Item 111 Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors

Item 112 Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

Item 113 Programme budget for the biennium 1998–1999

Item 114 Programme planning

Item 117 Pattern of conferences

Item 118 Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations

Item 119 Human resources management

Item 120 United Nations common system

Item 121 United Nations pension system

Item 122 Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East

Item 123 Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola

Item 124 Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991)

Item 125 Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara

Item 126 Financing and liquidation of the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia

Item 127 Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters

Item 128 Financing of the United Nations Operation in Somalia II

Item 130 Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus

Item 131 Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia

Item 132 Financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti

Item 133 Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia

Item 134 Financing of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda

Item 135 Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

Item 136 Financing of the United Nations Mission of Observers in Tajikistan

Item 137 Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994

Item 138 Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Item 139 Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium and the Civilian Police Support Group

Item 140 Financing of the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force

Item 141 Financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti, the United Nations Transition Mission in Haiti and the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti

Item 142 Financing of the Military Observer Group of the United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala

Item 143 Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

Item 145 Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 48/218 B

Item 152 Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country

Item 155 Measures to eliminate international terrorism

Item 161 Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic

Item 163 Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone

Item 165 Joint Inspection Unit

Item 170 Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo

The President recalled that these items had been included in the provisional agenda of the fifty-fourth session of the Assembly, with the exception of items 47 and 121.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of the aforementioned items.

Closure of the fifty-third session

The President made a statement.

The General Assembly observed a minute of silent prayer or meditation.

The President then declared closed the fifty-third session of the General Assembly.

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International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

MEETING OF STATES PARTIES
Nineteenth Meeting 25th meeting

Note: The summary of the 25th meeting of the Meeting of States parties will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1999/176).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Interfaith service

To mark the opening of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly and to commemorate the Decade for a Culture of Peace and Nonviolence for the Children of the World, the Interfaith Center of New York and the Temple of Understanding are organizing the Annual Interfaith Service of Commitment to the Work of the United Nations. The Service will be held on Thursday, 16 September 1999, at 8.45 a.m. at St. Bartholomew's Church (Park Avenue at 51st Street in Manhattan). Special guests will include the President of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General and Mrs. Nana Annan. All members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, accredited correspondents and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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Special event

Under the sponsorship of the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh, a special event on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the admission of Bangladesh to the United Nations will be held on Friday, 17 September 1999, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

The Prime Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Her Excellency Sheikh Hasina, and the Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr. Kofi Annan, will attend the commemorative meeting. Former and present senior officials of the United Nations will address the event.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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